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April 4, 2012

The Honorable Matt Schultz Secretary of State of Iowa State Capitol Building LOCAL

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I hereby transmit:

House File 2403, an Act relating to requirements for a commercial driver's license for certain persons transitioning from military service.

The above Senate File is hereby approved this date.

Sincerely,

Terry E. Branstad

Governor

cc:

Secretary of the Senate

Clerk of the House



House File 2403

AN ACT

RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR A COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSE FOR CERTAIN PERSONS TRANSITIONING FROM MILITARY SERVICE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. Section 321.188, Code Supplement 2011, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

NEW SUBSECTION. 6. a. The department may waive the requirement that an applicant pass a driving skills test specified in this section for an applicant who is on active duty in the military service, or who has separated from such service in the last ninety days, who certifies that during the two-year period immediately preceding application for a commercial driver's license, all of the following apply:

- (1) The applicant has not had more than one driver's license, other than a military license.
- (2) The applicant has not had any driver's license suspended, revoked, or canceled.
- (3) The applicant has not been convicted of an offense committed while operating any type of motor vehicle that is listed as a disqualifying offense in 49 C.F.R. § 383.51(b).
- (4) The applicant has not had more than one conviction for an offense committed while operating any type of motor vehicle that is listed as a serious traffic violation in 49 C.F.R. § 383.51(c).
- (5) The applicant has not had a conviction for a violation of a state or local law relating to motor vehicle traffic control, other than a parking violation, arising in connection with any traffic accident and has no record of a traffic accident in which the applicant was at fault.
 - b. An applicant for a waiver of the driving skills test

under this subsection shall certify and provide evidence as required by the department that the following apply:

- (1) The applicant is regularly employed or was regularly employed within the last ninety days in a military position requiring operation of a commercial motor vehicle.
- (2) The applicant was exempt from commercial driver licensing requirements pursuant to section 321.176A, subsection 3, or a comparable law of another state implementing 49 C.F.R. § 383.3(c).
- (3) The applicant was operating a motor vehicle representative of the class of motor vehicle the applicant operates or expects to operate for at least two years immediately preceding honorable separation from military service as evidenced by the person's certificate of release or discharge from active duty, commonly referred to as a DD214.
- c. An applicant who obtains a skills test waiver under this subsection shall take and successfully pass the knowledge test required pursuant to subsection 2.

KRAIG PAULSEN

Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE

President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2403, Eighty-fourth General Assembly.

W. CHARLES SMITHSON

Chief Clerk of the House

Approved How,

2012

TERRY E. BRANSTAD

Governor